GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Managing Directors of Coop. Sugar Factories – Allegation on misappropriation of funds against Sri. V.V.Ramana Rao, Managing Director, Chittoor Coop. Sugars Ltd., Chittoor, while working as MD, Chodavaram CSF, Govada, Visakhapatnam District under Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 – Article of Charges –Issued.

GO.Rt.No.165 dt:04/10/2021

Read:

Lr.Rc.No.140/2014/A1, dt:03-03-2016 of the District Collector, Visakhapatnam enclosing the enquiry report of the Joint Collector–II, Visakhapatnam (vide Lr.No.51/2015/JC-II, Dt.20.02.2016)

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ORDER:

It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri. V.V. Ramana Rao, Managing Director, Chittoor Coop. Sugars Ltd., Chittoor, while he was working as MD, Chodavaram CSF, Govada, Visakhapatnam, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of negligence and dereliction of duties in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of Article of Charges as Annexure-I. A statement of imputations of negligence and dereliction of duties in support of each article of charges is enclosed as Annexure-II. A list of documents by which and a list of witness by whom the article of charges proposed to be sustained are also enclosed as Annexure-III & IV.

3. Sri. V.V. Ramana Rao, Managing Director, Chittoor Coop. Sugars Ltd., Chittoor, who worked as MD, Chodavaram CSF, Govada, Visakhapatnam is directed to submit a written statement of his defence, within 10 days from the date of receipt of this order.

4. Sri. V.V. Ramana Rao, Managing Director, Chittoor Coop. Sugars Ltd., Chittoor, who worked as MD, Chodavaram CSF, Govada, Visakhapatnam is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those article of charges, which are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charges.

5. Sri. V.V. Ramana Rao, Managing Director, Chittoor Coop. Sugars Ltd., Chittoor, who worked as MD, Chodavaram CSF, Govada, Visakhapatnam is informed that, if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in Para 3 above, further action will be processed based on the material available.

6. Attention of Sri. V.V. Ramana Rao, Managing Director, Chittoor Coop. Sugars Ltd., Chittoor, who worked as MD, Chodavaram CSF, Govada, Visakhapatnam is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which, no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings, it will be presumed that Sri. V.V. RamanaRao, Managing Director, Chittoor Coop. Sugars Ltd., Chittoor, who worked as MD, Chodavaram CSF, Govada, Visakhapatnam is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken

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against him for violation of Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules 1964.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

POONAM MALAKONDAIAH
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Director of Sugar & Cane Commissioner, Flat No.103, Garuda Enclave, H.No.12-545/A, Opp: Manipal Hospital, Near Kanaka Durgamma Varadhi, Tadepalli, Guntur District – 522501, Andhra Pradesh.
Sri V.V. Ramana Rao, Managing Director, Chittoor Coop. Sugars Ltd., Chittoor, who worked as MD, Chodavaram CSF, Govada, Visakhapatnam.
(Through the Director of Sugar and Cane Commissioner, A.P., Tadepalli)

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SECTION OFFICER

ANNEXURE – I

ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI. V.V. RAMANA RAO, MANAGING DIRECTOR, CHITTOOR COOP. SUGARS LTD., CHITTOOR, WHILE WORKING AS MANAGING DIRECTOR, CHODAVARAM CSF, GOVADA, VISAKHAPATNAM

Article-1:

That the delinquent official Sri. V.V. Ramana Rao, Managing Director, Chittoor Coop. Sugars Ltd., Chittoor, who worked as MD, Chodavaram CSF, Govada, Visakhapatnam has not adequately insured the sugar stocks during the year 2013-14 season by insuring for Rs.10.00 crores only as against the value of the sugar stocks of Rs.32.93 Crores, even though standard instructions/ guidelines from Head Office and as against the insistence of APCOB (Andhra Pradesh Cooperative Bank) for full insurance of the sugar stocks as the Factory takes the Working capital loan.

Article-2:

That the delinquent official Sri. V.V. Ramana Rao, Managing Director, Chittoor Coop. Sugars Ltd., Chittoor, who worked as MD, Chodavaram CSF, Govada, Visakhapatnam has mis-used, misappropriated and mis-utilised crores of rupees during sale of sugar, which was damaged during Hud-Hud cyclone.

Article-3:

That the delinquent official Sri. V.V. Ramana Rao, who worked as Managing Director, Chodavaram CSF, Govada, Visakhapatnam is responsible for lot of procedural irregularities in processing the files pertaining to insurance coverage and sales of Sugar and due to negligence, which clearly shows his negligence and dereliction of official duties.

Thus, by the above mentioned acts, Sri. V.V. Ramana Rao, Managing Director, Chittoor Coop. Sugars Ltd., Chittoor, who worked as Managing Director, Chodavaram CSF, Govada, Visakhapatnam has failed to maintain integrity and devotion to duty and deviated the established procedures of Government, in contravention of A.P. Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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ANNEXURE – II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF DERELICTION OF DUTIES IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI. V.V. RAMANA RAO, MANAGING DIRECTOR, CHITTOOR COOP. SUGARS LTD., CHITTOOR, WHO WORKED AS MANAGING DIRECTOR, CHODAVARAM CSF, GOVADA, VISAKHAPATNAM

The Chief Minister's Office has forwarded the representation Dt.06.09.2015 of Hon'ble MLA, Chodavaram on the allegations of misappropriation in sale of sugar by the Management of Chodavaram Coop. Sugars Ltd., Govada, Visakhapatnam Dt., which was damaged during Hud-Hud Cyclone. This office has requested the Collector & Dist. Magistrate, Visakhapatnam to get the matter enquired and furnish a detailed report. Accordingly, the District Collector, Visakhapatnam has furnished the enquiry report of the Joint Collector –II, Visakhapatnam vide Lr. Rc.No.140/2014/A1, dt: 03-03-2016.

It is brought to the notice of Government through the Inquiry Report Rc.No.140/2014/A1, dt: 03-3-2016 of the District Collector, Visakhapatnam that:

(1) Sri. V.V. Ramana Rao, Managing Director, Chittoor Coop. Sugars Ltd., Chittoor, who worked as MD, Chodavaram CSF, Govada, Visakhapatnam has not adequately insured the sugar stocks during the year 2013-14 season by insuring for Rs.10.00 crores only as against the value of the sugar stocks of Rs.32.93 Crores, even though standard instructions/ guidelines from Head Office and as against the insistence of APCOB for full insurance of the sugar stocks as the factory takes the working capital loan;

(2) Sri V.V. Ramana Rao, the then Managing Director, Chodavaram Coop. Sugars Ltd., Govada, Visakhapatnam District has mis-used, misappropriated and mis-utilised crores of rupees during the sale proceeds of Sugar, which was damaged during Hud-Hud cyclone.

(3) Sri V.V. Ramana Rao, the then Managing Director, Chodavaram Coop. Sugars Ltd., Govada, Visakhapatnam District is responsible for lot of procedural irregularities in processing the files pertaining to insurance coverage and sales of Sugar and due to negligence, which clearly shows his negligence and dereliction of official duties.

The Inquiry Officer / Joint Collector –II, Visakhapatnam District has concluded that Sri V.V. Ramana Rao, the then Managing Director, Chodavaram Coop. Sugars Ltd., Govada, Visakhapatnam District, has not adequately insured the sugar stocks during the year 2013-14 season by insuring for Rs.10.00 crores only as against the value of the sugar stocks of Rs.32.93 Crores.

Thus, Sri V.V. Ramana Rao, the then Managing Director, Chodavaram Coop. Sugars Ltd., Govada, Visakhapatnam District, failed to maintain absolute integrity, discipline and devotion to duty and behaved in a manner against the established procedures of Government and thereby contravened the provisions of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Therefore, Sri V.V. Ramana Rao, the then Managing Director, Chodavaram Coop. Sugars Ltd., Govada, Visakhapatnam District has rendered himself liable for disciplinary proceedings. Hence, the Charges.

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ANNEXURE – III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI. V.V. RAMANA RAO, MANAGING DIRECTOR, CHITTOOR COOP. SUGARS LTD., CHITTOOR, WHILE WORKING AS MANAGING DIRECTOR, CHODAVARAM CSF, GOVADA, VISAKHAPATNAM, PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED

It is brought to the notice of Government through the Inquiry Report of the Joint Collector –II, Visakhapatnam District that Sri V.V. Ramana Rao, the then Managing Director, Chodavaram Coop. Sugars Ltd., Govada, Visakhapatnam District has not adequately insured the sugar stocks during the year 2013-14 season by insuring for Rs.10.00 crores only as against the value of the sugar stocks of Rs.32.93 Crores and mis-used, misappropriated and mis-utilised crores of rupees during the sale proceeds of Sugar, which was damaged during Hud-Hud cyclone and also responsible for lot of procedural irregularities in processing the files pertaining to insurance coverage and sales of Sugar and due to negligence, which clearly shows his negligence and dereliction of official duties; thereby failed to maintain absolute integrity, discipline and devotion to duty and behaved in a manner against the established procedures of Government and thereby contravened the provisions of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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ANNEXURE – IV

THE LIST OF WITNESS BY WHOM THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI. V.V. RAMANA RAO, MANAGING DIRECTOR, CHITTOOR COOP. SUGARS LTD., CHITTOOR, WHILE WORKING AS MANAGING DIRECTOR, CHODAVARAM CSF, GOVADA, VISAKHAPATNAM TO BE SUSTAINED

The following record of enquiry is here with submitted:

1) Statement submitted by Sri. D.Ramabhadra Raju, M.D(I/C), the Chodavaram Sugar Factory Ltd., Govada.

2) Statement recorded from Sri. V.V. Ramana Raju, Office Manager and Sales & Purchasing Manager (I/C), the Chodavaram Sugar Factory Ltd., Govada.

3) Statement recorded from Sri. Pappala Murali Prakasha Rao, General Accountant and Chief Accounts Officer (I/C), the Chodavaram Sugar Factory Ltd., Govada.

4) Statement submitted by Sri. P.T. Murali Dora Bhuthnadhu, M.D, M/s. Green Mint India Agritech(P) Ltd., Hyderabad.

5) Statement submitted by Sri. S.K.S Kanwar, Chief Regional Manager, The Oriental Insurance Company Ltd., Visakhapatnam.

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